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## Congressman Dent tours flood-ravaged region; provides information for flood victims

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY — U.S. Rep. Charlie Dent (PA-15) returned from Washington to personally inspect flood-damaged areas along the Delaware River and meet with people whose lives were again disrupted by rising waters.

Meeting with officials and residents in Easton and Portland, Congressman Dent noted that federal assistance will be forthcoming once President Bush declares the area a federal disaster area. Congressman Dent wrote the President on Thursday to expedite a federal disaster declaration following the Governor's request. Congressman Dent will join Gov. Ed Rendell in a flyover of the affected areas on Saturday.

"This is third time in 21 months our river communities have been hard-hit by floodwaters," Congressman Dent said. "I was encouraged to see the people of these communities were better prepared for this event. But the damage was still great and my heart goes out to everyone affected. I will do all I can to help."

Anyone affected by the floods needing information specific to their local should call the following numbers:

Northampton County Emergency Management: 610-759-2600

Lehigh County Emergency Management: 610-782-3073 or 610-437-5252

Montgomery County Emergency Management: 610-631-6530

Berks County Emergency Management: 610-374-4800  
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency Eastern Region: 610-562-3003 or 1-800-372-7362

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